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Ecology's PacWest Silicon Smelter EIS Scoping Public Comment

To Whom It May Concern:

This comment is in regards to the Canadian corporation HiTest Sands who recently purchased property in Newport, Washington to build and process smelter.

First and formost it is distrurbing that we the public, people of the United States, is even allowing this to happen in our own country. And, the means of how they purchased the land in Newport unscrupulously is unlawful of the county commissioners of Newport to not get the publics (taxpayers) permission to sell the land to the Canadian corporation.

We live in Sandpoint, Idaho which is due west of Newport by 25 miles on Lake Pend Oreille, downwind of the proposed plant.

Both myself and my wife, Kathy are opposing this Smelter Plant to even be allowed to be built and process their supplies in Newport, Washington or even in the United States of America.

The question we have and am now posing to you: "why would we allow this plant to be built in the United States if their own country, Canada, is opposing this process plant"? Possibly some hidden factors that the Canadian Government know of, or possibly they won't allow this due to the same feelings, concerns and health issues that we are questioning.

So again, I ask! Why, we the people of the United States of America, allow this process plant to even step into our country to process materials that have long term effect on the Ecology, and humans. If Canada won't allow them to build in their own country why should we?

Health is far more important than jobs for people.

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